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DAY & DATE	THURSDAY, DE	EG. 23,	1943
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PRODUCTION NOTES

CHARACTERS

CAST

BESS - HAZEL DOPHIEDE

JIM - FRANK DANE

MARY - LUCILE HUSTING

PINKY - CHARLES FLYNN

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SOUND

REMARKS

MASTER Attached as broadcast:

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Orchestra Leader

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JERRY:	(SLIGHTLY OFF) Well, good gravy, that's the way Mary
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MARY:	That's right, blame it on me.
BESS:	Now hush, both of youHere Mary, hand Jerry this
	Star of Bethlehem. It goes clear up at the top, Jerry
	and be careful on that ladder.
JERRY:	(SLIGHTLY OFF) Okay. Hand it up.
MARY:	Well, Jerry can't put this on upside-down, at any rate.
	There's only one way it can go, thank goodness
	(BRIGHTLY) Here you are, Jerry.
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	S		to make sure that tomorrow's really a holiday.
}.	3		(GOING OFF) Be right back
•	4	MARY:	What are you thinking about, Mrs. Robbins? Standing
	5		there, looking at the tree?
4	6	BESS:	Well, to me, Mary and to many other people I suppose, the
	.7		Christmas tree has always been a Wishing Tree.
	-	JERRY:	Yeah, I've heard that. Wish hard enough on Christmas
. 45	9		Eve and sure 'nough in the morning, there beneath the
-	10		tree you'll find your wishes all fulfilled.
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	16	BESS:	Yes. A prayer inspired by what Jim calls our luck in
	17		having a gayly decorated tree. I'm wishing that when
	15		another Christmas season rolls around, we'll see
} >	19		an end to this terrible war, and for every American who
	20		wants one - a cheerful, fragrant Christmas tree at hand -
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4		look soso sober.
5	JERRY:	That phone call, huh? What's wrong, Jim?
-6	JIM:	You folks remember Pinky McFarland?
7	JERRY:	Pinky? Sure. Used to be our fire guard on Bald Peak
, 8		Lookout. How he's a fightin' Marine.
9	BESS:	Jim, Pinky hasn't beenoh, Jim.
10	JIM:	No, Bess. That was Doo Peters on the phone telling me
[11		that Pinky's in the Willow Glenn Hospital. Here's the
12		whole story. It seems that Pinky did such a swell job
13		in the tropicsmade himself something of a hero according
,14		to Doc Petersthat he was ordered back to this
15		country as a training instructor. He got back to the
16		States last week and he had a furlough to spend
17		Christmas with his folks in Elk City, see? Well, he was
1.5		headed that way when he decided to drop off at Winding
19		Creek and pay us a little visit And, well, he got hit
20		by a cardown in the village.
21	JERRY:	Gosh.
,22 ,	BESS:	Is he badly hurt, Jim?
23	JIM:	Doc says he got banged up a bit. Not too serious, but
24		bad enough so he'll have to be in the hospital for some
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PAUSE:

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PINKY:

(FADING IN, WEAK THROUGHOUT) Talk about your prize boobs. That's me, Ranger...Boy, wait 'til the gang out there in the tropics hear about this...

JIM:

I'd forget it if I were you, Pinky. It could happen to anyone.

PINKY:

Forget it? Good gravy, Ranger. Here I am, a guy who's tackled the worst forest fires you've ever had on the Pine Cone. and then down there in the Pacific - if you don't mind my bragging - I've licked ten times my weight in Japs. all without getting a scratch. So what do I do? Get back to this little peaceful town in the States and get bowled over by a car. My own fault, too. Gosh, wait'll the gang gets a load of this.

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.2	PINKY:	That's what I really wanted to see you about, Ranger,
3		Well, it's one of two things I wanted to talk to you
4		about, 'specially.
.5	JIM:	Go ahead, Pinky.
6	PINKY:	I guess you know there were several of the Pine Cone boys
7		in my division?
.8	JIM:	Yeah. Quite a few of you signed up from home at the same
9		time, as I recall.
10	PINKY:	Yeah. Well, there's Pete, and Bob Mitchell, and Tony, just
11		to mention a few
12	JIM:	And about as fine a bunch of men as I've ever worked with.
13	PINKY:	You'd be surprised, Ranger, how often we've talked about
.14		you and the good old Pine Cone forest just about every
15		time we had a bull session, in fact. You see, all of us
16		worked in the woods before the fracas started, so we
17		could appreciate better'n most of the men what a terrific
18		part of the forests back home are playin' in this war.
19		We had signs of it all around us (GROANS)
20	JIM:	Are you all right, Pinky? Want the nurse?
21	PINKY:	(IN PAIN) No, I'm all right. Just that banged up leg of
.55		mine.
23	JIM:	I reckon you better just lie still then. Don't move around.
24	PINKY:	Yeah. Now where was I?
25	JIM:	You were talking about the men and the part wood's playing
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Oh yeah. Well, that's made us fellas prouder than all get-out 'cause to us every bit of wood around — in the barracks, and the food boxes, and on our guns, and in our magazines and papers - well, it was wood we had something to do with back in the days before the war...Get it?

JIM:

I think so, Pinky. You were all thinking about your jobs in the forest.

PINKY:

That's it, Ranger. The jobs we used to have...and, well, here's what the fellas want to know. Can we come back to those jobs after the war?

JIM:

Pinky, when you write those buddles of yours, tell them this. Their jobs are waiting for them on the Pine Cone.

And Pinky, you can also tell 'em we're hoping there'll be jobs for a lot more of the boys, besides themselfes. It isn't only the Pine Cone that'll be needing the help of your buddles, Pinky. It's the forests and woodlands all over the country, that'll be needing rebuilding and restoring after the war's over. That oughts mean jobs aplenty, son, if our plans work out.

PINKY:

That's swell, Ranger...just swell. Kinda gives a fella something solid to work and fight for....

JIM:

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. 5		about it.
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.7		two years! And you know what was the toughest times in
• _		those two years? Christmas!
1.19	JIM:	Your folks will be here tomorrow, son. You'll see them
10		this Christmas.
11	PINKY:	(LOW) Yeah, but it won't be like I was hopin' all along
110		that it might be. It won't be Christmas at home with a
27		little tree all lit up with lights and tinsel and stuff
114		(BITTER) No, it'll be here in this doggonned hospital
15		with four bare walls and
-1(JIM:	I'm sorry, Pinky.
- 17	PINKY:	I was headin' for the Ranger Station so I could get you to
17		let me out a little tree like I used to do, so I could
110		bring it home and have Mom and Dad see me walking up the
4.30		steps with the tree andaw, heck, what's the use?
21	JIM:	I can get a tree for you, Pinky, and let your folks take
טני י\		it home and
ئد ،	PINKY:	Thanks, Ranger, but, well, let's just skip it, huh?
.5.		NOCK ON DOOR, DOOR OPENS
	BESS:	(OFF) Anybody home? May we come in?
*	JIM:	Bess!Look, Pinky, it's Mrs. Robbinsand here's Mary

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1	2	PINKY:	Gee, it's good of you to come see me, Mrs. Robbins. Hello,
-	3		there, Miss Halloway.
1	Įt.	MARY:	Hello, soldier.
	5	JERRY:	What d'ya mean, soldier? Hi there, Marine!
1	6	PINKY:	Good old Jerry. Hello, Jerry! Gee it's good to see you
1	7		all. (SLIGHT PAUSE) (LAUGHS NERVOUSLY) I guess I
-			haven't got much to entertain you folks; except this radio,
-	7.		here, but Man Man Mill come the door will
T	10	JERRY:	Don't worry about that, PinkyLook, Jim, come out in
	11		the hall a minute, will yoh?
40	J 5	JIM:	Huh? What for?
	13	BESS:	Don't ask any questions, Jim. Mary, you stay here. Will
1	14		you excuse us, Pinky?
	15	PINKY:	(SAD) You'll be backsoon?
4	16	BESS:	(GOING OFF) Very soon, Pinky
1	17	DOOR OPENS	AND CLOSES SOFTLY
	18	SLIGHT PAUS	Te Bational Fara and Home Hour as a nativerk presented in
	19	JIM:	(SOTTO) By George, you've brought a Christmas Tree! And
,	50		all decorated too
	51	BESS:	(SOTTO) Don't you recognize it, Jim? It's our tree. Or,
41	55		rather, it was (Bergoffen)
	123	JERRY:	(SOTTO) Yeah, we kinda talked things over after you left,
1	24		Jim, and
	25	JIM:	(HUSKILY) Gee, Bess, this is well, doggonned wonderful.
			You know, just before you got here, Pinky almost broke down
-	\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\		cause he felt he'd missed his chance at having any
1	·		Christmas tree
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BESS: We sort of thought it'd be that way, Jim...And this 1s

the time for sharing, isn't it?

JIM: (WITH FEELING) Some day, Bess, get me to tell you how proud

I am of you, will yuh?

BESS: I'm glad you feel that way, Jim.

BRING IN SOUND OF APPROPRIATE CHRISTMAS HYMN OFF (OH COME ALL YE FAITHFUL)

JERRY: Listen. Mary must've turned on the radio....

BESS: Let's take the tree in, Jim. I'll open the door. Be careful now.

DOOR OPENS, SOUND OF TINKLING AS OF ORNAMENTS, MUSIC UP SLIGHTLY

PINKY: Hey, what's goin' on? Well, gee...gosh...oh, man, will you look at the tree!

ALL: Merry Christmas, Pinky!

PINKY: Huh? Oh...Yeah...Gee it sure is!...Merry Christmas!

MUSIC UP AND OUT

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BESS: We sort of thought it'd be that way, Jim ... And this is

the time for sharing, isn't it?

JIM: (WITH FEELING) Some day, Bees, get me to tell you how proud

I am of you, will yuh?

BESS: I'm glad you feel that way, Jim.

BRING IN SOUND OF APPROPRIATE CHRISTMAS HYMN OFF (OH COME ALL YE

FAITHFUL)

JERRY: Listen. Mary must've turned on the radio

BESS: Let's take the tree in, Jim. I'll open the door. Be careful now.

DOOR OPENS, SOUND OF TINKLING AS OF CHNAMENTS, MUSIC UP SLIGHTLY

PINKY: Hey, what's goin' on? Well, gee...gosh...oh, man, will

you look at the tree!

ALL: Merry Christmas, Pinky!

PINKY: Huh? Oh .. Yeah .. . dee it sure is! .. . Merry Chrlatmas!

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